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INTENSE INTEREST in Lancaster County farming methods was evident on the National Young Farmer tours conducted in the County as part of the organization's Education Institute held this week at the Host Farm. (left to right) Robert Neff, Millersville R1, one of the host farmers, explains his steer and tobacco operation to Jared Hoover, Abilene, Kansas, Clyde Watson Jr., Max Meadows, Va.; Ivan Yost, Local Farmer and Chairman, National Executive Committee and John Nixon, Cridersville, Ohio. L. F. Photo

National Farmers Show Interest In Co. Agriculture

Intense interest in how Lancaster County Farmers do it, was apparent Monday and Tuesday as farmers from 22 states across the Nation visited local host families as part of the National Young Farmer Educational Institute held at the Host Farm, this week The raising of tobacco and marketing of the crop probably received the most attention But other interesting subjects centered around close neighbors, hard-topped lanes and strong, well-built bank barns.

Part of the 250 persons attending the Institute, went one day to the Millersville area to visit members of the Penn Manor Young Farmers Chapter and the other day to visit young Farmers in the New Holland area

The farm stops, arranged by the Garden Spot Young Farmers, included, the Neff Brothers, Melvin Sheitzer and Amos Funk all of Millersville R1, Lloyd Harnish, Lancaster R6, Harold Wissler, Harold Musselman and John Campbell all of New Holland; Stauffer Homstead, East Earl R1 and an Amish farm at Kinzers R1

In the Monday night banquet speech Morris Fonda, General Sales Manager for A O Smith Harvestore Products, said "Change is certain" Speaking on the subject "Managing Change", Fonda said in the future the real commercial farm will be managed by young people with new management abilities He predicted investments for farmers three times as great as now and said the future farmer will be an innovator, have larger risks, be growth oriented with a more business like approach

Fonda predicted credit would be available (maybe at a higher rate) but the credit people would be asking for projected profit and loss statements and looking

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Farm Public Image Discussed

"Farm products are produced on economics," said Boyd Gartley, Member and Public Relations, Inter-State Milk Producers, "but they are sold on emotions."

Speaking as one of three panel members on Young Farmer Public Relations at the Nation Young Farmer Educational Institute, Wednesday morning, Gartley told the leading farmers that you must select the image you want, pick the class of people you want to reach and then use the media you want to do the job "What the people want is what you must give them," he said "Sell the difference between just ordinary and the best

Dr Murry McJunkin, Market Development Division, U S

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Season's Greetings

From All Of Our Staff

To All Of You

4-H Angus Steers To Be Distributed

The steer calves for the Angus Club members in the 1970 Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef Club will be distributed this Saturday morning December 20, from the New Holland Sale Barn at New Holland time will be 9 00 a m according to M M Smith, County Agent

Each member is expected to come to the New Holland Sale Barn at the above time prepared to draw for his steer, pay for him, and take him home "Please be there along with your parents, if they would like to come," Smith said

Recommendation Given To Set Aside Land For Farm Use Only

A 40-page report of a plan to save Pennsylvania's farm land was handed to Gov Shafer this week, as the special study committee headed by Curtis B Wachsmuth and including two Lancaster County men — Amos Funk, Millersville R1 and Larry Skromme, New Holland — finished two years of work

Of special interest to local farmers because of the pressing, steady enroachments of urbanization and commercialization of the County's diminishing supply of farm land, was one of the committee's main proposals They recommended that "land use" areas of 4,000 adjoining acres be designated and set aside for farming purposes only County Commissioners would be authorized to establish these areas after appropriate public hearings, held on petition of no less than 15 land owners

Wachsmuth explained to the governor that the proposed Agricultural Land Conservation Plan would provide financial incentives for farmers to participate They would include

Assessments to be based on agricultural values only; owners would be compensated for allowing hunting and fishing on their properties and for maintaining watershed protection; heirs of landowners who continue to participate in the plan would be eli-

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Farm Calendar

Saturday, Dec. 20 (today)
9 00 a m —Distribution of Lancaster County 4-H steers, New Holland Sales Stables

Tuesday, Dec. 23
11·45 a m —Pa Holstein Committee meeting, Starlite Restaurant, Carlisle, Pa.

COUNTING REFERENDUM BALLOTS Thursday afternoon at the Department Of Agriculture Building in Harrisburg. Ballot counting began Wednesday, on the milk marketing program for dairymen across Pennsylvania.

No information on which side the counted ballots were favoring was allowed to be released from the closed door counting session but James Kegel, at the Agriculture Department Information Center said officials were pleased with the more than 10,000 ballots that were received in the referendum. Approximately 22,500 dairy farmers were eligible to vote on the proposed self-assessment plan to finance an advertising, promotion and research program to increase the sale and use of milk.

Kegel said it would be several days before a conclusion would be reached because counting involved not only recording the yes no vote but also tabulating the individual voter's milk production

Working in the Lancaster Farming Photograph above are (left to right) Raymond F. Witmer, Willow Street R1; Jacob N. Smith, Palmyra; Miss Sandra Barends, Ag. Dept.; Warren Bucher, Myerstown R2; Larry E. Kegerreis, Ag. Dept.; and Ray F Reiter, Ag. Dept.

MARKET NEWS REPORT

At Lancaster Yards

Weekly Review

December 18, 1969

CATTLE 1500 — Compared to last weeks close, Slaughter Steers weak to 50 lower, Cows steady to 25 higher, Bulls steady to 50 lower

SLAUGHTER STEERS — Choice 950-1350 lbs 28 50-29.85, with most 950-1150 lbs. 29 00-29 60, high-Good and low-Choice 950-1150 lbs 28 00 29 00, 1150-1375 lbs. 26 75-28 50; Good 26 35-28 00; Standard and low-Good 23 00-26 50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — Choice 800 950 lbs 27 00 28 35, Good 25 00 26 75.

COWS — Utility and high-dressing Cutter 20 35 22 00, few 22 10-23 10. Cutter 18 60-21.25; Canner and low-Cutter 16.50-19 50.

BULLS — Choice 29 10-30 25; Good 26 35-28 50, Utility and Commercial 25 50-29 25, three head 1500-2000 lbs 30 00-31 00.

CALVES 400 — Vealers mostly steady

VEALERS — Choice 48 00-51 00, few head 52 00 53 00, Good 44 00-49 00, Standard 39 00-45 00, Utility 32 00 39 00, Cull 90-120 lbs 27 00-31 00, 65 85 lbs 22 00-28 00

HOGS 1150 — Barrows and Gilts strong to 25 higher, Sows scarce

CLOSING SALES, BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1-2 200-240 lbs 28 85 29 00 Couple lots US 1 200 205 lbs 29 75 US 2-3 200-250 lbs 28 35-28 75

SHEEP 150 — Wooled Lambs and Slaughter Ewes fully steady

WOOLED LAMBS — Choice 60-100 lbs 28 00 29 50, few head 30 00-30.50, Good 24 00-28 00, Utility 20 00 24 00

SLAUGHTER EWES — Utility and Good 5 00-8 00

Auction Only

December 17, 1969

CATTLE 635 — Slaughter Steers weak to 50 lower; Cows steady to 25 higher; Bulls steady to 50 lower.

SLAUGHTER STEERS — Choice 950-1350 lbs. 28.50-29 85, most 950-1150 lbs. 29 00-29 60; high-Good and low-Choice 950-1150 lbs 28 00-29.00, 1150-1375 lbs 26 75-28 50; Good 26.35-28.00; Standard and low-Good 23.00-26 50

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — Choice 800-950 lbs. 27.00-28 35; Good 25 00-26 75.

COWS — Utility and high-dressing Cutter 20 35-22 00, few 22 10-23 10; Cutter 18.60-21 25; Canner and low-Cutter 17 35-19 60.

BULLS — Choice 29.10-30 25, Good 26 35-28 35; Utility and Commercial 26 60-29.25

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Vintage Auction

December 16, 1969

CATTLE 608 — Compared to last Tuesday, Slaughter Steers uneven, few sales low to average Choice 950-1150 lbs. strong to 50 higher, others steady to weak, Cows steady to 25 higher; Bulls scarce. Supply included 50 percent Cows.

SLAUGHTER STEERS — Choice 950-1300 lbs. 29 00-30.50, few 975-1150 lbs. 30 50-31 25; high-Good and low-Choice 950-1250 lbs. 27.85-29 10, nearly one load mixed-Good and Choice 1300-1520 lbs. 26 60-27.75; Good 26 50-28 50; Standard and low-Good 25 50-27.75.

COWS — Utility and high-dressing Cutter 20 50-22.00, few 22 00-22.85; Cutter 18.50-21 00; Canner and low-Cutter 16.50-18.50.

BULLS — Good 27 60-28 35; few Utility and Commercial 28 35-29 25

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New Holland Auction

December 18, 1969

CATTLE 664 — Compared to last Thursday, Slaughter Steers uneven, mainly weak to 50 lower, although high-Good and Choice 950-1150 lbs fully steady; Cows 25-50 lower; Bulls weak to 50 lower.

SLAUGHTER STEERS — Choice 950-1300 lbs. 28 50-29 75, few sales high-Good and Choice 30.35-31.10; high-Good and low-Choice 27.75-29.00, Good 26 25-28 25; Standard and low-Good 23.00-26.25.

COWS — Utility and high-dressing Cutter 20 00-21.75, few 21 85-22.10, with a couple at 22 75-23.00; Cutter 18.35-20 75; Canner and low Cutter 16.75-18.50.

BULLS — Choice 28 50-29 85; Good 26 75-28 75; Utility and Commercial 26 00-28 60

CALVES 399 — Vealers 1 00 2 00 higher

VEALERS — Choice 49.00 53 00, Good 45 00-49 00; Standard 41 00-45 00, Utility 33 00-40 00; Cull 90-120 lbs. 29 00-33 00, 65-85 lbs 24 50 30 00

SHEEP 16 — Couple lots Good 65-75 lbs steady at 23 00-23 50, few head Choice 55-80 lbs 31 50-32 00.

COWS
December 17, 1969

Receipts of 146 cows, 4 bulls and 6 heifers sold stronger. Holstein 450-760, Other breeds 300-375, Bulls 300-390, Heifers 265-345

HORSES
December 15, 1969

Receipts of 262 horses sold lower on riding horses and steady on work horses and mules. Work horses (single) 245-280, (pairs) 375-540; Mules (single) 124-455, (pairs) 400-1,000, Riding horses 95-240, Driving horses 95-255, Ponies 10-20, Killers 5-6

HOGS
December 15, 1969

Receipts of 960 hogs sold steady to 25 higher Retail 29 00-29 50; Wholesale 28.75-28.85; Heavyweights 27-28 25; Sows 20-23, Boars 17-20.

CALVES
December 15, 1969

Receipts of 104 calves sold steady. Choice and Prime 43.50-50; Good and L. Choice 40-43; Standard 34-39 50; Common 22-33 50.

HAY
December 15, 1969

Six loads of hay and straw were sold. Hay brought 28 to 38 dollars per ton and straw sold for 37 to 41 dollars per ton.

Chicago Cattle

Weekly Review

CATTLE — Compared with last weeks close, slaughter steers steady. Slaughter heifers mostly steady, instances 25 lower on Low Choice and Below. Cows 50-1 00 lower. Bulls steady.

Local Receipts included 76 percent slaughter steers and 20 percent slaughter heifers with balance mostly cows. Overall finish of slaughter steers improved over past week with 16 percent Prime and 75 percent Choice, compared with 14 percent Prime and 76 percent Choice last week and 11 percent Prime and 80 percent Choice last year. Average cost and weight slaughter steers estimated at 28 75 and 1165 lbs. compared with 29.16 and 1172 lbs last week and 28 81 and 1141 lbs. last year. Heifer supply mostly High Good to Prime weighing 850-1075 lbs.

SLAUGHTER STEERS — On Wednesday, Prime 1200-1400 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 29.25-29 75, two loads at latter price. Mixed High Choice and Prime 1100-1400 lbs 29 00-29.50. Choice 950-1150 lbs. Yield Grade 2 to 4 28 50-29 50 Choice 1150-1400 lbs. Yield Grade 3 and 4 28 25-29.00. Mixed Good and Choice 950-1350 lbs 27 75-28 50.

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FUTURES TRADING

(Closing bids as of Thursday, December 18, 1969)

	Chicago Cattle	Chicago Hogs	New York Maine Potatoes	New York Fresh Eggs
December	29.15	29.30		62.40
January '70				52.40
February	29.82	26.72-b		46.35
March			3.03	45.35
April	30.35	24.62-a	3.22	40.90
May			3.93	
June	30.45	25.50		
July		25.50		
August	30.70			
October	30.00			
December	29.90			

a-asked b-bid n-nominal

Trend Cattle are stronger; Hogs lower, Potatoes stronger, and Eggs are steady.

NOTICE

The New Holland Sales Stables will cancel their Auction, December 25th.

The Vintage Sales Stables will have no change in their auction schedules.

The Lancaster Stock Yards will be closed to trading Dec. 25 and January 1. Wednesday's auctions will be held at the regular time.

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Weekly Poultry Report

Fogelsville

December 16, 1969

(Prices paid dock weights, cents, per pound, except where noted.)

HENS, (Heavy Type) 5-21 mostly 14-18; PULLETS 17-28½ mostly 24-27; ROASTERS 12½-49 mostly 30-38; CAPONS 46-50, DUCKS 21-52 mostly 27-35, DRAKES 12-53 mostly 42-53, GEESE 27-49 mostly 38 45; TURKEYS, Toms 10 31, TURKEYS, Hens 31-44, RABBITS 30-50 mostly 45-48, GUINEAS 59 68, PIGEONS (Per Pair) 90 2 55 mostly 1.00-1 25

TOTAL COOPS SOLD 811.

Eastern Pennsylvania And New Jersey

Prices of light type hens unchanged to ½c higher Demand very good with current offerings short of full needs In instances, advance bookings reported for January pick-up Trade advices indicate processing plants filling processing time with heavy fryers from the Delmarva area at delivered prices often below those of light type hens Demand good for heavy type hens. Offerings short of needs. Supplies of turkeys for ice packed trade adequate for processing time available Heavy roasters also fully adequate for needs. Prices paid at farm Light Type Hens 8½-12½ M 12 12½c Heavy Type Hens Tfewr

Delmarva

Ready-to-cook movement slow and unaggressive with price concessions often made in an effort to stimulate clearance In instances, sales noted at 24c with offerings occasionally reported as low as 23c for immediate and early week delivery Less-than-trucklot prices slightly lower in most quarters Live offerings ample with continued movement of heavy weights to hen processors reported

Negotiated trucklot prices 2 3# ready-to cook broiler/fryers for delivery next week Tfewr Pool trucklot (Thursday arrival at terminal markets) U S Grade A 25-28 M 25½-26c, Plant Grade 24½-25½c Special packs including 1¾-2, 3½ # sizes Tfewr

New York Eggs

Prices generally unchanged. Receipts light to moderate Trading stocks of jumbos ample; extra large irregularly distributed with large whites adequate for small lot requirements but short of volume needs Bids on large whites up to 65c on the Mercantile Exchange failed to attract interest Large browns in slightly heavier receipt and additional offerings were having difficulty in clearing Mediums in close balance while smalls were still ample Demand slow to fair but lacking aggressiveness as a nervous undertone continues to prevail Carton orders were normal for delivery early next week

Weekly New York Egg Mkt.

(From Monday, December 15, 1969 to Friday, December 19, 1969)

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
WHITE					
Fcy Ex Large	65 66	65 66	65 66	65 66	65 66
Fcy Large	64	64	64	64	64
Fcy Med	61	61	61	61	61
Fcy Pullets	47 51	47 51	51	51	51
Fcy Peewees	36	36	36	36	36
BROWN					
Fcy Large	65	65	65	65	65
Fcy Med	60½	60½	60½	60½	60½
Fcy Pullets	47 51	47-51	47 51	47	
Fcy Peewees	36	36	36	36	36
Standards	60	60	60	60	60
Checks	45	45	45	45	45

Trend Large continues to clear closely but buying cautious. Medium and Pullet a bit irregular

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Farm Council Favors New Site For Farm Show Bldg.

The Pennsylvania State Council of Farm Organizations is on record today as favoring a new Farm Show Building to be constructed on a new site

The Council voiced its sentiments at an annual meeting by passing a resolution recommending "construction of new facilities at a new location"

Harold Ely, president of the Council, said rebuilding the Farm Show complex on the present site, as advocated by certain groups, would be unsatisfactory because of parking and traffic problems

"On top of that, a renovated Farm Show building built on the present site would have to be a multi-storied structure because of the shortage of land," Ely said "Exhibitors and shows now using the building are aware of spectator reluctance to move from one story to another"

The Council also passed a resolution advocating that J. Lin Huber, currently acting as chairman of the Milk Marketing Board, be reappointed for a full term on the Board

Other resolutions

Opposed revision of the motor vehicle license fees

Favored wise use of agricultural land

Favored a study of the feasibility of establishing a school of veterinary medicine by Penn State

Recommended the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture receive sufficient funds to fulfill requirements of the meat inspection law

Ely, a farmer from Montrose, was re elected president of the Council, Enos Heisey, Harrisburg, was selected vice-president and Wayne Readinger, Fleetwood, was named secretary-treasurer

Executive committeemen elected Jay Hauger, Berlin, R D 1, John Pitzer, Aspers, Dean Fetterolf, Centre Hall; Reno Thomas, Beavertown; Burton Hetherington, Berwick, George Unger, New Berlinville

The normal annual precipitation for Massachusetts is 42 77 inches

● Vintage

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CALVES 559 — Vealers steady to 2 00 higher

VEALERS — Choice 49 00-51 00, few 51 50-53 00, Good 45 - 00-49 50, Standard 39 00-45 00 Utility 33 50 39 50; Cull 90-120 lbs 28 00 31 50, 65-85 lbs 23 00 28 50

HOGS 330 — Barrows and Gilts strong to 50 higher

BARROWS AND GILTS—US 1-2 195-240 lbs 29 25 29 75 US 2-3 200-245 lbs 28 50 29 00

SHEEP 15 — No market test

● Chicago

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SLAUGHTER — On Wednesday, High Choice and Prime 900-1100 lbs Yield Grade 3 and 4 28 25-28 50 with four loads at 28 50 Choice 850-1025 lbs Yield Grade 2 to 4 27 25 28 25 Mixed Good and Choice 26 75 27 25

● Auction

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CALVES 123 — Vealers steady, although Cull 1 00 2 00 higher.

VEALERS — Choice 48 00-51 00, few 52 00-53 00, Good 45 - 00-49 00; Standard 39 50 45 00, Utility 33 00-39 00, Cull 90 120 lbs 27 00-31 00, 65-85 lbs 24 00 28 00.

HOGS 281 — Barrows and Gilts strong to 25 higher

BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1 200-205 lbs 29 75 US 1-2 200-240 lbs 28.85-29 00 US 2-3 200-250 lbs 28 35-28 75

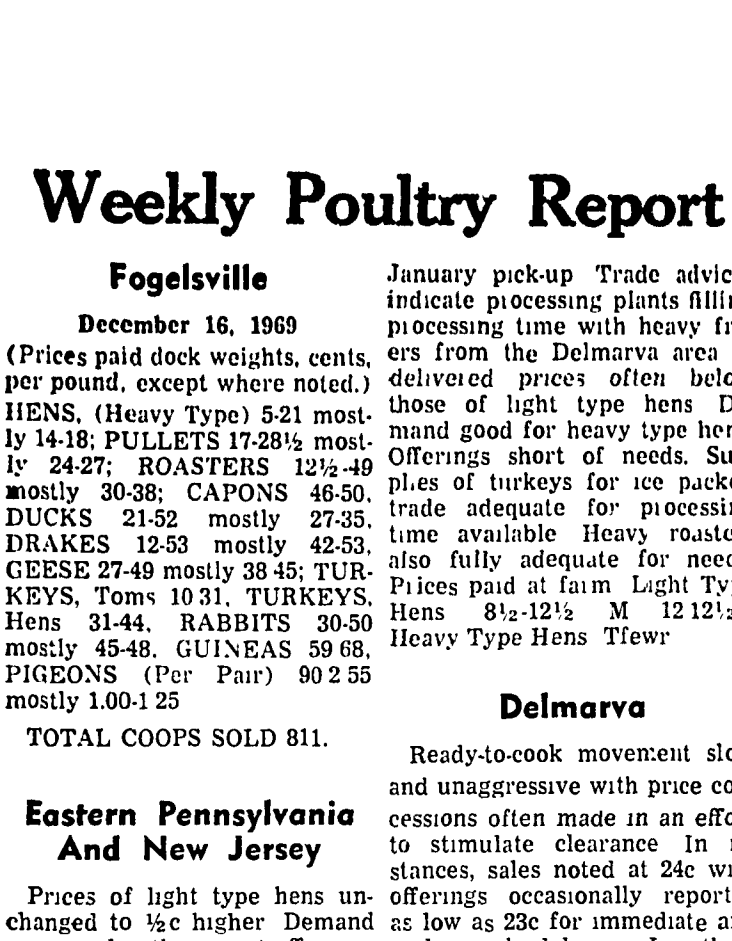
SHEEP 26 — Wooled Lambs fully steady

WOOLED LAMBS — Couple lots Choice 100-110 lbs 29 00 30 50, one lot Good 85 lbs 27 50

Pa. Livestock Slaughter

(For week starting December 15, 1969)

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
1st 4 days	447,000	1,153,000	140 000
Same period last week	467,000	1,196,000	153 000
Same period last year	424,000	1,207,000	148,000



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From Where We Stand...

The Christmas Story

St Luke — Chapters I and II

And the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women.

And when she saw him she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

And the angel said unto her, Fear not Mary; for thou hast found favour with God.

And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS.

'He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David and he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be?

And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow there, therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

. . . . And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar-Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed every one into his own city

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David which is called Bethlehem. (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had been it, they made known abroad saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

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Across The Fence Row

THE MISTLETOE

In ancient times, before the Christian era, mistletoe was gathered during the winter solstice and reverenced as the symbol of future hope and peace. Enemies, meeting beneath spray of it, would drop their weapons and embrace in a gesture of friendship. . . . Thus today's custom that a maid under a mistletoe may be kissed.

Quote

No opportunity is ever lost; the other fellow takes those you miss.

And Unquote

Getting up in the morning is largely a matter of mind over mattress

One's brain is no stronger than its weakest think.

Local Weather Forecast

(From the U. S. Weather Bureau at the Harrisburg State Airport)

The five-day forecast for the period Saturday through next Wednesday calls for temperatures to average below normal with daytime highs in the upper 30's and overnight lows in the low 20's Cold throughout the period The normal high-low is 39-24

Precipitation may total one-tenth inch as snow flurries over the interior on Saturday and as light snow over the whole area at the end of the period.

THE FANTASTIC CELEBRATION

Lesson for December 21, 1969

Background Scripture: Matthew 1.

Devotional Reading: Isaiah 52 7-10.

It was the most lavish birthday party anyone had ever seen or imagined. The banquet hall had never been more gayly or colorfully decorated. Waiters were hurrying back and forth between the kitchen and the long tables, bringing a seemingly endless procession of heaping platters of exotic foods.

Rev. Althouse

The conversation at the tables was gay and punctuated with hearty laughter. Adding to this hubub were the strains of several orchestras and choruses performing in various parts of the vast hall.

"Happy Birthday"

While merry people stuffed themselves with the rich food, entertainers passed among the tables performing songs, dances, stunts, and tricks to an audience that gave only half its attention at best. No one seemed to mind the confusion, however, and it grew as the evening went on.

Finally, there was an ear splitting blast of trumpets and people turned expectantly, ready to listen to the popular master of ceremonies. "Ladies and gentlemen," he began in a loud voice that resounded through the great hall, "let us all join in singing 'Happy Birthday.'"

Hundreds of voices massed together with the combined orchestras and filled the hall with:

Happy birthday to you.
Happy birthday to you.
Happy birthday, dear . . . .

(There was an inaudible mumble at the place where the name should have been, but everyone recovered and finished.)

Happy Birthday to you!

A great ovation followed the song.

The guest of honor

The voice of the master of ceremonies was heard again: "Ladies and gentlemen, let us remain standing as our guest of honor comes forward and with this golden knife cuts his birthday cake." The trumpets blare once again as the doors of the kitchen swing open and a huge wheeled table is pushed to the center of the room. On it, towering high above the waiters, was the largest birthday cake ever baked. Tier upon tier of creamy icing reached high into the air.

There was a hushed confusion at the head table, growing louder and more confused as the long minutes ticked by. People began to shift from one foot to another, wondering what the problem was.

Then there was an embarassed announcement from the head table. Red-faced, the master of ceremonies turned to the audience and said, haltingly: "Ladies and gentlemen . . . uh . . . we are having difficulty in locating the . . . uh . . . guest of honor." Then, as if he were calling a child playing hide-and-seek: "Will the guest of honor please step forward and cut the cake!" It was not a question, but a plea. An expectant hush settled over the hall . . . but no one stepped forward.

The uninvited guest

Smiling a forced smile that kept sliding off his face, he consulted an officious-looking man at his side He, in turn, consulted someone else. Soon the wholehall was buzzing with incredulous voices, all confessing: "THERE IS NO GUEST! HE WASN'T INVITED!"

Fantastic?

Of course. Yet is it any more fantastic than what happens each Christmas: a gala birthday celebration to which the guest of honor is not invited?

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Lancaster County Agent

To Enjoy Your Family

The Holiday Season is a good time to enjoy all members of your family In these times there seems to be so many places to go and things to do that seldom is the entire family together During the holiday season the children are home from both school and college and will appreciate more attention from Dad and Mother In the past few years may farmers have said they could not attend some of the activities because they wanted to be home with their family This sounds like one good qualification of a good parent

To Check That Fire Extinguisher

In case this chore has been missed, the one or more fire extinguishers around the farm buildings should be checked and put in order The winter season presents more fire hazards and the extinguisher could prevent a serious loss In addition to it being in good working condition, it is very important that every member of the family knows exactly how to operate it.

To Prevent Wild Bird Infection

The problem with starlings and some other nuisance birds is a growing one and one that is very difficult to control This was discussed at one of our farm meetings last winter with very little firm recommendations for control These birds become very common during periods of heavy snow cover Some buildings may be kept tight, or can be screened to keep them out; however, in many open buildings and with outside automatic feeders, we are still searching for the control method It should be recognized that these birds may carry infection and should be controlled if possible.

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more to the management ability of the farmer rather than his net worth.

The farm leader predicted controlled environment systems for all types of livestock and the increased use of irrigation as methods to increase production

Congressman Edwin Eshleman Pa. 16th District, keynoted the opening session Monday morning with his "What's Good About The United States" topic

Eshleman said, "We have all been talking negative Everywhere you look, in newspapers and on TV, all you see is a negative attitude. But in the 5,000 years of the history of mankind our democracy is the best one yet. Even our enemies admit we have the best system of government," he said.

Listing ways we are better, Eshleman said, "We have a free way of life If we would lose it, we would appreciate it We even have the freedom to fail This implies you have the freedom to try in the first place And failure is not always failure,' he said

"And we have free enterprise That is the only path to dignity. A man must have dignity," he said "You can put a man on welfare and give him $1 000 a month and you still have not given him dignity."

Eshleman pictured the times in which our nation lives a period of crisis that we are "half way through". But he said, our crisis is not as bad as our nation has gone through before. "And we will come out of it again," he said "Our greatness does not lie so much in the men of high I Q. we turn out, but the multitude of 'average men' we produce who put more into the nation than they take out"

On internal problems, the congressman said, "Ninety-five percent of our youth are OK You are reading about only five percent. Ninety-five percent of the Blacks are not militant and 95 percent of the Whites are not bigoted You just read about the five percent I am a little tired of seeing Kooks being Kookie on TV and in the newspapers," he said.

"Many people like to remember the fall of Rome and say we are going to go like they did. But they fell because bread and circuses were provided by the government. We are not going to do that in the United States."

On another subject, Eshleman said, "We all agree on separation of church and state But divorcing God from the nation is a different matter Sighting the first recorded document in the nation's history, written on the Mayflower, the congressman quoted it as starting, "In the name of God, Amen"

"No industry is as vital to the nation as agriculture," said Harlan K Arp, Manager Product Reliability and Quality, International Harvester Co. Arp was the Tuesday night banquet speaker

"If man fails to land on the moon, we loose pride and if we fail to get faster speed from our airplanes we just get there slower," he said "But if we don't grow food, we don't eat and then everything stops"

Noting advances that will come in the next ten years, Arp said, "I don't think we will be able to remove the operator from the tractor in that time but certainly our industry will be moving in that direction

"Rows were made for the ox and the horse," he continued, "and the time may come when it will not be economical to plant crops in rows The next five to 10 years may well show as much advancement as we have seen in the last 15 to 20 years And these advances may be as fantastic as man walking on the moon."

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Census Of Agriculture

Questionnaires will be mailed to all farmers in January, requesting information on agricultural activities in 1969

This is the first time that the census will be conducted by mail The census is required by law, and must be completed and returned to the Bureau of Census not later than February 15, 1970

A leaflet will be mailed with the questionnaire, and should answer most of the questions farmers may have In addition, all USDA offices will have a Census manual and will be able to answer individual questions

Agricultural Conservation Program

Enrollment in the 1970 Agricultural Conservation Program opened November 3rd.

The allocation for 1970 is $121,000. Because of limited funds and increased interest in the program, farmers should enroll early for practices they plan to complete in 1970.

Wool Marketing Year Ends

Wool growers are reminded that the 1969 marketing year ends December 31st

Producers should make sure that all details of 1969 sales are completed by this date Applications for incentive payment on wool and unshorn lambs sold should file application at the office by January 31st, 1970

Farmers must submit the original sales slip signed by the buyer Those for unshorn lambs must include a signed statement by the buyer that the lambs were unshorn at time of sale

Payments will probably be made in April, and will be based on the national average price of wool sold in 1969.

1970 Wheat & Feed Grain

Although details have not been received to date, it is expected that enrollment in the 1970 Wheat and Feed Grain programs will open early in 1970, probably starting in February.

Notices of allotments, bases, yields and payment rates will be mailed to all farmers before sign-up starts, with the details on both programs

Grange Challenges Increased Motor Vehicle Fees

A proposed increase in motor vehicle license fees, as provided in Senate Bill 1198, now before the State Legislature, was challenged this week by the Pennsylvania State Grange as "posing an inequitable and unfair burden on a large body of taxpayers least able to bear it"

A Wayne Readinger, state master of the Grange, said the proposed legislation is "contrary to established Grange policy," and that "if enacted would cause financial hardship to many persons of low income, especially those who of necessity must depend upon automobiles or small trucks for limited use in essential transportation"

In the low income category he listed retirees and many rural residents, especially farmers with small or medium sized operations Farmers, he said, rely upon the smaller size trucks to haul produce to market and to fetch their supplies

He pointed out that automobiles and small trucks would bear a disproportionately heavy share of the rate increase under the proposed legislation

This, Readinger stated, would have a doubly unfair effect for many automobile owners and small truck farmers whose use of the highways is on a very limited basis

This unfair aspect, he added, would affect also "many professional people — for example, visiting nurses, who must have an automobile for use in their work, but may have little occasion to use it otherwise"

If motor vehicle users must be taxed for new revenue, the fairest method, Readinger declared, would be "through an increase in the fuel tax whereby the burden would be distributed in direct ratio to use of the highways," This, he said, is the stand the Pennsylvania State Grange has taken as its official policy.

Eric R. Stoner

Stoner Wins Third In Essay Contest

Eric R Stoner of Lancaster, a 10th term agronomy major at The Pennsylvania State University, won third place recently in the 1969 American Society of Agronomy Student Essay Contest. Stoner's article, "Multispectral Remote Sensing A New Technology for World Agriculture," earned him a bronze medal and $80

The ASA Student Essay Contest is conducted annually Undergraduates in agronomy, crop science, and soil science are eligible to enter Cash awards for the five top winners are donated by DeKalb Agricultural Research, Inc This year, 41 essays were entered from 15 colleges.

Stoner is a native of Lancaster County. During the past year he served as vice president of the student section of the American Society of Agronomy He is presently the president of the Agronomy Club at Penn State.

The presentation was made at the recent meetings of American Society of Agronomy held at Detroit, Mich.

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• Farm Public

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Steel Corp said farmers have the public image of causing high cost of living and having their hand in the government treasury through subsidy payments He said they are blamed for sinful dumping of food, tax evasion, poisoning water and wildlife while accepting free research and running cooperatives that don't pay taxes.

These things McJunkin labeled as not representative of farmers but neverless in the public mind, while the true facts of an abundant food supply at the lowest percentage of consumer income in the world is mostly overlooked "And farmers are huge tax payers with taxes based on land," he said "This in spite of rising costs"

McJunkin listed lower farm political punch, young people being another generation removed from the farm and the farm press speaking mostly in trade magazines where the general public does not hear as reasons for this public image.

"Farmers should not try to do things that irritate the public," he said. "Be active in community affairs and don't spread manure at a bad time for your neighbors Public relations is a lot of little things"

H N Hunsicker, United States Office of Education, opened the discussion by telling of problems young farmer and vo-ag programs are having in his department and suggested farmers know what they want and need and then make personal contacts in small groups of two or three persons to tell their story.

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Will Your Tree Kill Your Family?

Is your Christmas tree a killer? It can be if you're not careful, says Mrs Evelyn Nantz, Extension home furnishing specialist at the University of Maryland

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Mrs. Nantz says observing the following will help insure both a safe Christmas and Christmas tree for you and your family:

(1) Be sure to get a fresh tree a few days before Christmas. Test it to see if the needles are dried out and already falling — if so, take a different tree. A dry tree can burn away in less than 27 seconds

(2) Never block any exits by placing a tree in the line of traffic

(3) Use only lights and wiring with the Underwriters' Laboratories label. Make sure that extension cords, if used, do not present a tripping hazard and never overload circuits by having too many plugs in one outlet. Check lighting sets from previous years for frayed wires, loose connections and broken sockets

(4) Many tragic fires start when there is no one at home or when the family is in bed. For this reason, do not leave the lights burning for too long a period of time Always turn them off when you retire for the night

Baylor Re-Elected Council President

Dr John E Baylor, professor of agronomy Extension at The Pennsylvania State University, has been re elected president of The American Forage and Grassland Council for a three year term

Dr Baylor, who was completing an unexpired term for the former president, was selected at the orgnization's annual meeting December 5 in Washington, D C. He formerly served as senior vice president.

The Forage and Grassland Council is composed of workers and leaders in the forage-related sciences representing industry, institutions, and private organizations from most states and Canada . . . Present membership is approximately 600.

Dr. Baylor has been a member of the Penn State Extension Service staff since 1957.

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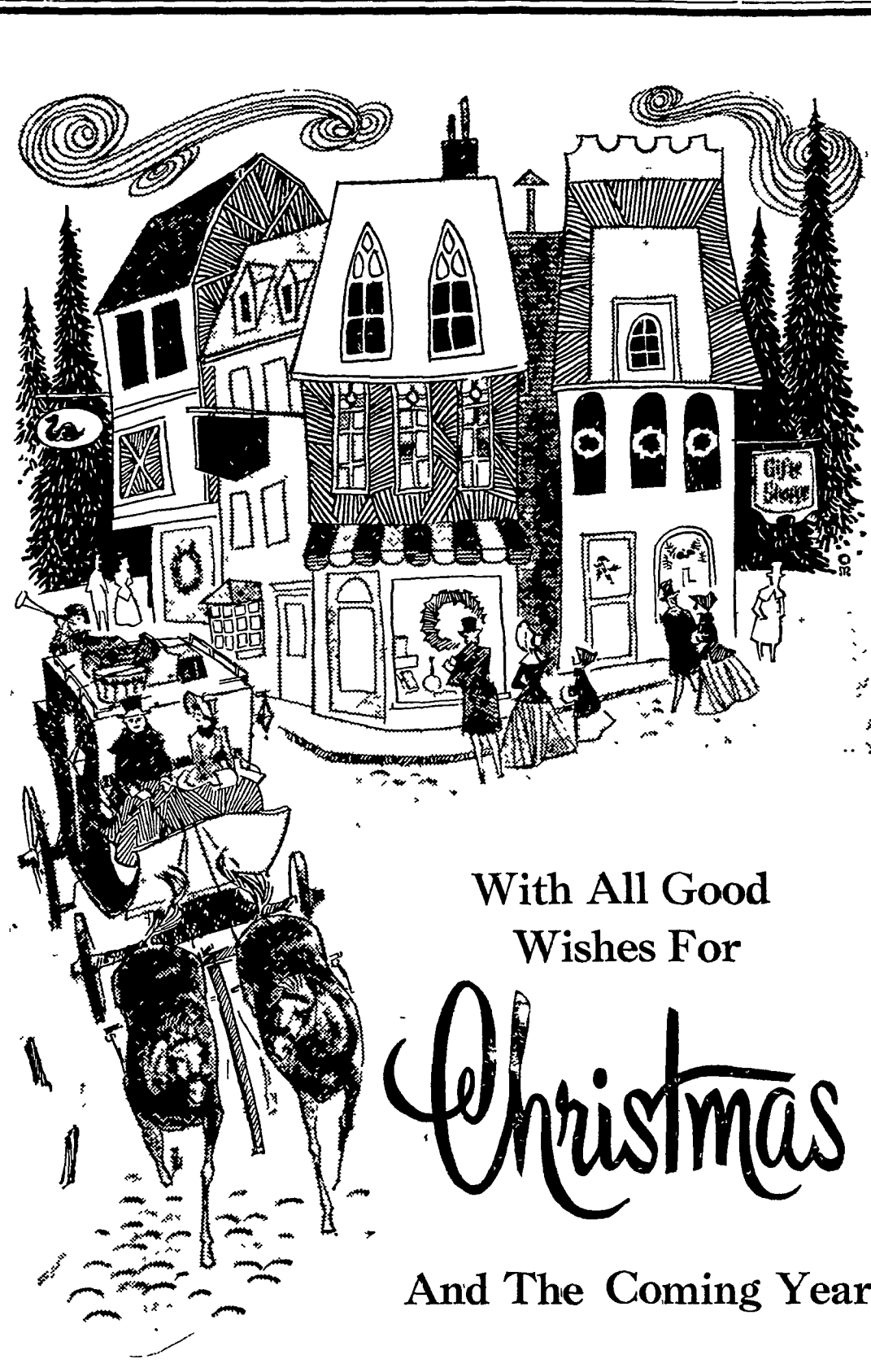

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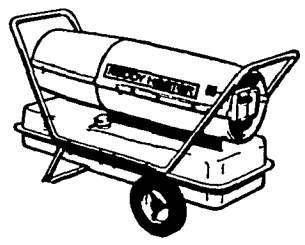

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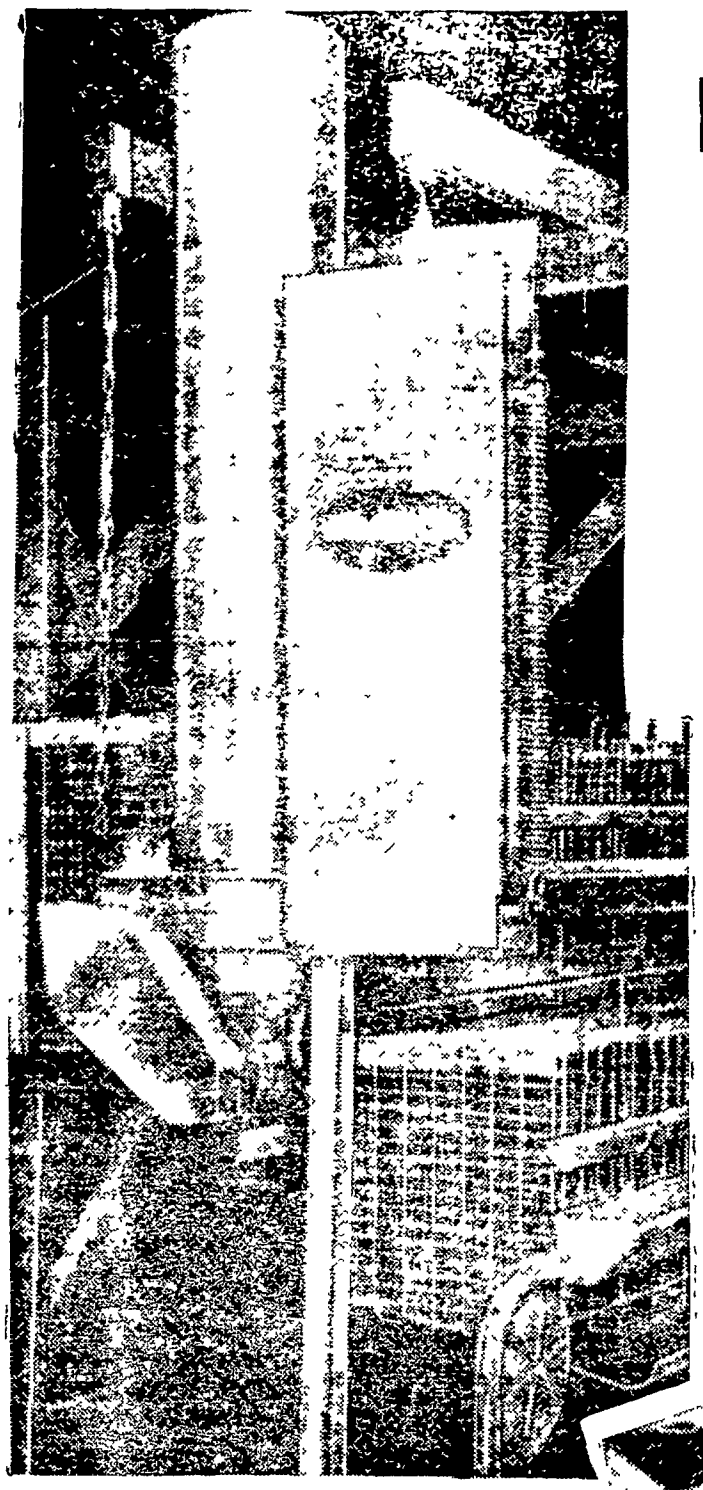

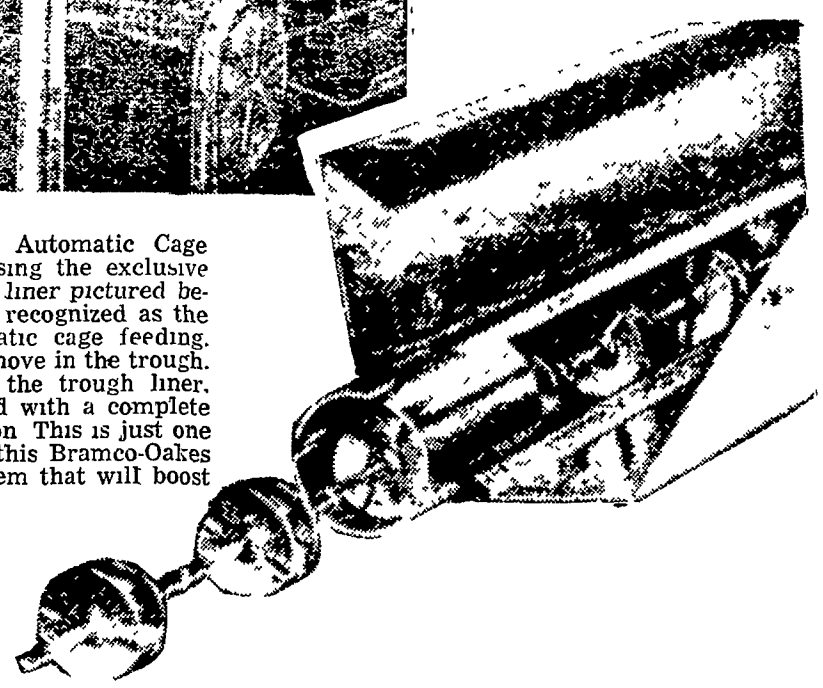

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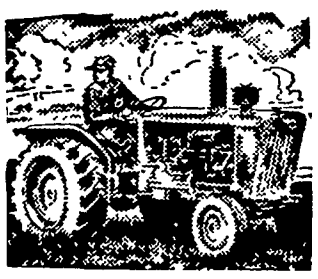

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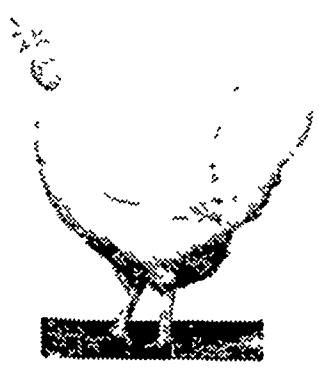

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● Recommendation

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gible for state inheritance tax exemption on the land

The report was given to the governor at a luncheon meeting at the Penn Harris Motor Inn, and the governor in turn congratulated the committee, commenting

"The wise preservation of our agriculture land is indeed a necessity for the health and well-being of all Pennsylvanians, and I am certain this report will receive every consideration in formulating future land policies in the Commonwealth."

The report presented some arresting statistics It said

"Nearly one-half of Pennsylvania's farm land has gone out of food production since the turn of the century This includes 420,099 acres of some of Pennsylvania's best agricultural land which has been converted to nonagricultural uses in the past 10 years; an average of 115 acres of agricultural land, including 99 acres of cropland, has been transferred to other uses each day. This pattern has been accelerating and is likely to continue.

"Pennsylvania, with its 28 8 million acres of land, appears to have enough acreage to satisfy any future needs A closer look reveals that this will not be the case at the present rate of land conversion About 30 per cent of total land, or 8 million acres, is currently being farmed. Urbanization has claimed 8 per cent, or 2.4 million acres, and forest land covers 62 per cent, or 17 million acres

"This would seem to indicate that 92 per cent of the state remains rural and potentially agricultural. This is far from the truth . . ."

The study committee proposed restrictions on public improvements in an agricultural use area when low cost is a motivating factor in site selection. It also proposed curbing acquisition of agricultural use land through eminent domain, or public condemnation proceedings.

Other recommendations included:

—Encourage individuals voluntarily to use their land resources wisely.

Strengthen Pennsylvania's agricultural economy.

—Develop a strong program for informing the public of the continuing necessity of planning all land use.

Christmas

As shepherds watched in wonder and awe . . .
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when we celebrate anew the marvels of the
first Christmas, we reflect reverently upon
the meaning and Miracle of Bethlehem.

With our friends and neighbors, we share the quiet
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A SPECIAL STEER project has been started this year for the Grassland Chapter of FFA in New Holland. Two businesses, Sauder Feed Mill and New Holland Supply Co., both at New Holland purchased the steer and in a contest Larry Horst, wrote the best essay in the Chapter to get the steer. In the above photo, Earl Sauder is presenting the duPont bred steer to Larry. Robert Schroll, of the supply company was not present at the time. Larry, a Junior at Garden Spot is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Horst, Leola R1. He will show the steer at Ephrata Fair and the Pa. Livestock Exposition in Harrisburg next year.

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SECOND SECTION

Egg Price Quotes Differ

Egg trading interests in Chicago received a jolt on Wednesday, November 26, when the market was quoted differently from egg prices offered on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Spot Board

Chicago interests offered small lots of eggs at 59c, off 3c from the 62c level of Tuesday The Chicago reporter, however, won enthusiastic praise from egg producers by assessing the true supply and demand situation in the Midwest and quoting the price at 60½ cents, off 1½ cents from the 62 cents level of Tuesday

Egg Producers, who are hard-pressed to meet commitments due to the current shortage of eggs could see no justification for a 3c price drop Wednesday and were jubilant about the Chicago Reporter's stand The price discovery method used in the egg industry has long been a point of bitter controversy among egg producers who believe it has been systematically worked to their disadvantage.

United Egg Producers, a nationwide cooperative which represents over 40% of the nation's egg production, immediately fired off a telegram praising the Chicago Reporter's action.

The telegram follows:
Gentlemen

We commend you on your historical and responsible action in quoting the Chicago Cash Egg Market realistically on Wednesday, 11/26/69 We feel that your quote represents true values and was not unduely influenced by trading on the board In the judgement of many, spot trading does not always reflect true supply and demand. We offer you our full cooperation and access to information supplied to us from egg producers and marketers from throughout the United States to aid you in making final price determinations based on true market conditions (Signed) United Egg Producers.

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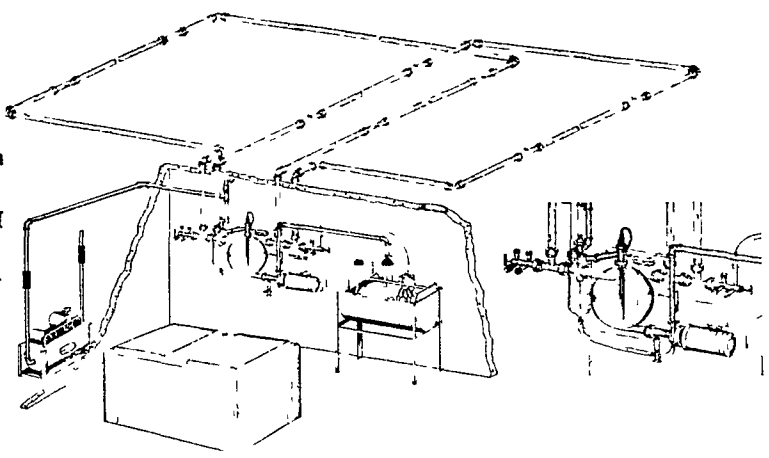

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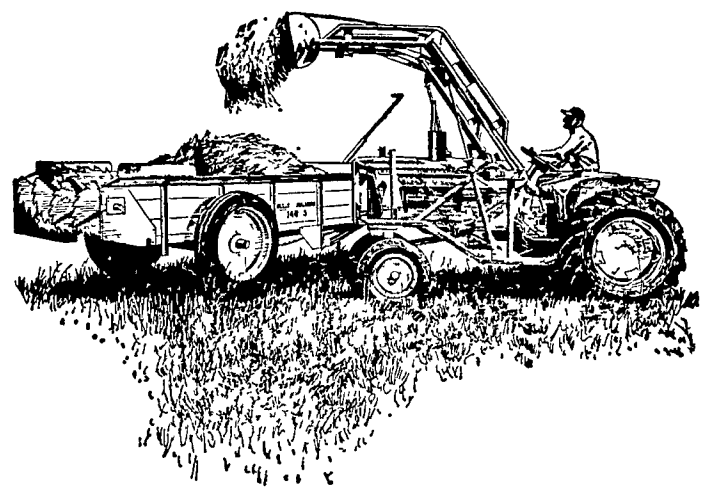

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Bruise Damage In Broilers Studied

Improved broiler houses and equipment and better handling procedures could cut bruise damage losses in the broiler industry, the U S Department of Agriculture reports

Cooperative studies by USDA's Agricultural Reserach Service and the Georgia College of Agriculture Experiment Stations, Athens, showed that the broiler industry is losing about $49 million a year because of bruises that have to be trimmed from chickens during processing. The studies were part of a broad program to improve the industry's live broiler handling operations.

In experiments to find the exact sources and extent of bruising in the chickens before processing at poultry plants, the researchers found that about 20 percent of the birds handled by a commercial crew were sufficiently bruised to require trimming. Of these, 58 percent were bruised before pickup on the farm.

By pinpointing the causes of bruise damage, researchers will be able to develop better equipment and handling techniques to reduce losses.

Complete results of the studies are contained in a 10-page report prepared by ARS agricultural engineer Albert D. Shackelford, industrial engineer Rex E. Childs, and marketing specialist John A. Hamann.

Single free copies of the publication, ARS 52-47, "Determination of Bruise Rates in Broilers Before and After Handling by Live Bird Pickup Crews," may be obtained from the Transportation and Facilities Research Division, ARS, USDA, Federal Center Building, Hyattsville, Md. 20782. Please use zip codes.

Advertising Is Key To Ag-Lime Sales Program

Product awareness through proper advertising is essential when developing a profitable sales program for agricultural lime, an Extension agronomist at The Pennsylvania State University said last week during a conference in Minneapolis, Minn

James H. Eakin, speaking at the Annual Limestone and Plant Nutrient Short Course at the University of Minnesota, pointed out that when promoting ag-lime the aim must be to create a healthy attitude for your product in the minds of your customers

"You may possibly have the finest ag-lime in your state, but if your potential buyers aren't aware of your product it doesn't really exist," Eakin told the short course participants

Those in business today, he added, must let others know they are in business if they have hopes for success We have too many ag-lime producers who expect the product to sell itself

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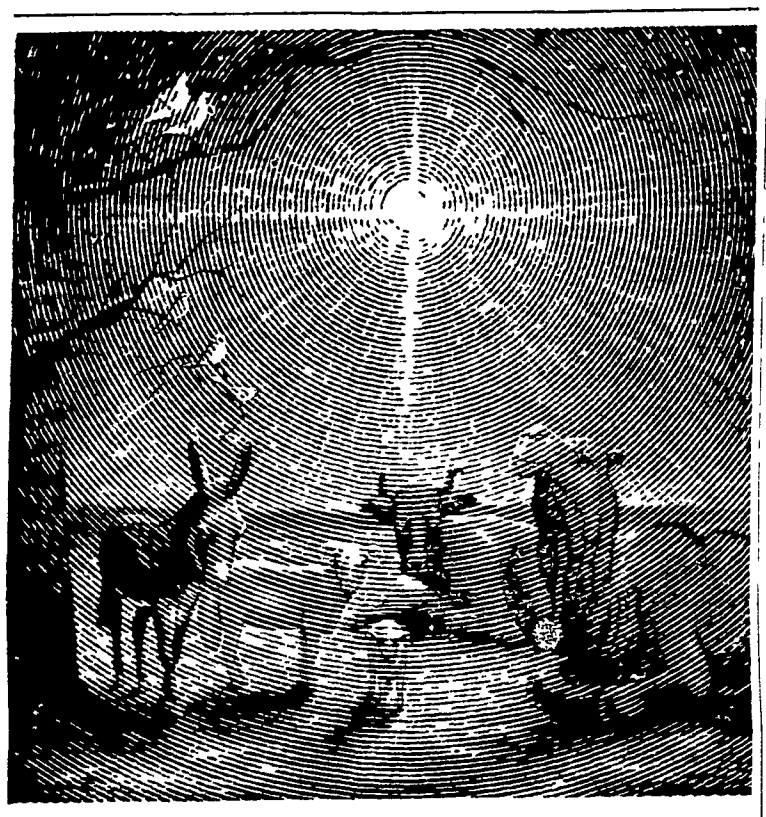

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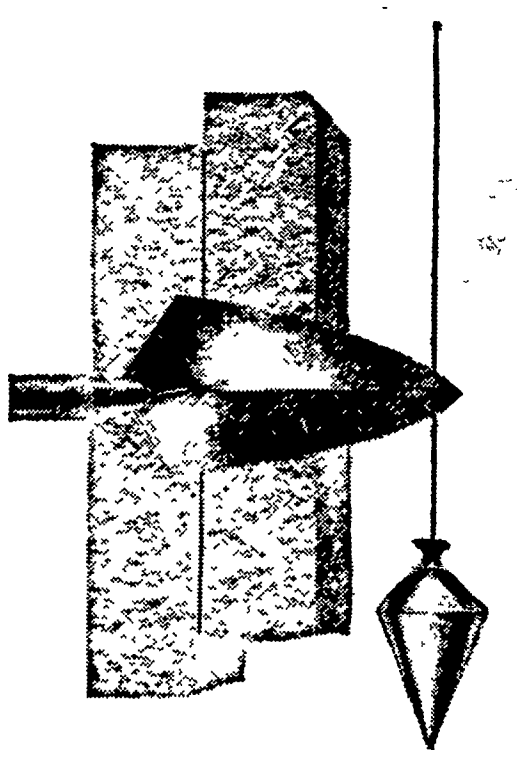

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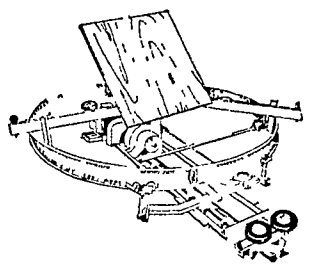

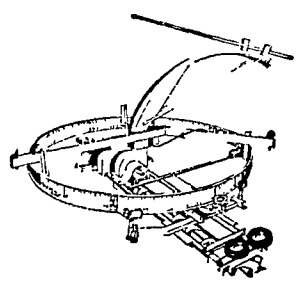

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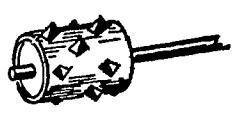

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Potato Stocks 5% Above Year Ago

The 4,800,000 cwt. of potatoes in storage on December 1 was 5 percent more than an December 1, 1968 These stocks consisted of potatoes held for all uses in the hands of Pennsylvania growers, local dealers and processors Potatoes held by processors in excess of normal supplies for current operations were included in the estimate

Disappearance (sales, home use, shrinkage, etc.) of 1968 potatoes to December 1, was 3,010,000 cwt Last year disappearance to December 1 was 3,035,000 cwt and in 1967 was 3,,720,000 cwt Production in 1969 was 7,810,000 cwt compared to 7,585,000 cwt a year earlier.

Yield of the 1969 crop averaged 220 cwt per acre, 15 cwt more than a year ago and second only to the record 1967 yield of 240 cwt. Many of Pennsylvania's potato producers had high yielding and good quality crops; however, yields in nearly all potato areas were below early expectations.

Light plantings for early processing markets began in early April and by mid-May planting of later season varieties was making rapid progress towards completion During July the crop looked good in all areas however, numerous fields had poor stands due to poor seed and excessive rainfall with some flooding Dry weather prevailed in August but most crops were not hurt by this condition as they were a year ago since tuber size was generally well developed before the soils became dry.

Digging for storage began in mid-September and generally continued under favorable conditions through completion Because of low specific gravity in the south and southeast, some producers had difficulties locating outlets for their potatoes High yields with grower and processor storages full caused many producers to sell directly from the feilds As a result of this delay, a freeze on October 23 damaged some acreage Most of this acreage was harvested but the extent of the damage will not be known until later in the storage season

Yuletide Joy

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Pennsylvania Milk Production

continued to gain ground in Nov. with a 2 6 percent increase over the Nov. 1968 total, according to the State Crop Reporting Service It was the fourteenth consecutive month in which milk production topped year earlier levels

By comparison, November milk production in the United States dropped four tenth of one percent (0 4%) below the year earlier mark

The November production in the state totaled 256 million quarts, enough to supply each Pennsylvanian with slightly less than three quarters of a quart per day for all purposes

Milk production per cow in the state averaged 760 pounds (approximately 353 quarts) in Nov., up 20 pounds from Nov 1968. The number of dairy cows was estimated at 725,000, the same as in October, but 1,000 less than in Nov 1968

Concentrates fed per cow averaged 13 2 pounds, up 2 pounds from November last year. The expected blend price for milk sold in November is estimated at a seasonal high of $6 50 or 10 cents above November 1968.

Supplies of hay are generally ample but quality varies because some was rain damaged or overripe because weather conditions delayed the harvest. The corn crop was the second largest of record and yields of other grains were average or above.

Drink — A man who feels sophisticated, but can't pronounce it.

This season, it is our wish that your spirit be moved by the inspiration and hope that distinguished the first Christmas.

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WASHINGTON REPORT

Congressman Edwin D. Eshleman

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The national economic situation at this point is not very encouraging Prices continue to climb upwards, interest rates remain high, the dollar is still dropping in value and no immediate relief is in sight

There are some subtle, but hopeful, signs that the overheated inflationary spiral is beginning to cool to some degree The fact that prices are not going up quite as fast as before shows that a plateau of sorts has been reached But my prediction of a few months back of a substantially improved economic outlook by the end of the year is obviously not going to be one of my most accurate. The Nixon Administration has not been able to work the hoped for wonders on the fiscal disaster area which was inherited one year ago

The factual bleakness of the economic picture is what makes the recent Congressional changes in the tax reform legislation so disturbing Over in the Senate, the Tax Reform Act of 1969, suddenly has been turned into the Tax Relief Act of 1969 One Senator suggested that maybe an even better name would be the "Christmas Tree Act of 1969" since so many goodies have been hung on the bill. While it certainly is admirable to seek to give Americans tax relief, such relief at the expense of economic health is not exactly a responsible action. In my opinion, many of the Senate amendments to the legislation would, if left as is, aggravate our already alarming fiscal problems

The proposal to rise the personal exemption from $600 to $800 is a case in point. Such a provision would cost the government over $6 billion in revenue. That loss would mean that the effort to balance the national budget as an anti-inflationary step would be doomed And for what? A $200 hike in the personal exemption rate which everyone recognizes should be even higher I sponsored legislation earlier this year to raise the rate to $1000, a more reasonable figure, but on the understanding that such an exemption would be a part of a balanced piece of legislation designed to bring relief but maintain revenue This balance could be achieved by readjusting tax rates on a more equitable basis, something which the Senate did not include in its action.

Another area of criticism is that the original goal of eliminating tax inequities seems to have gotten lost. In the rush to get some political benefit out of this year's tax legislation, the reform issue has become muddled. For example, when the House voted to trim the oil depletion allowance by 7½% it was a step in the right direction. However, over in the Senate, that 7½% cut was trimmed back to a 4½% cut. Other reform measures like changing the tax exempt status of some organizations also got watered down on the Senate side.

The major differences between the House and Senate versions of the tax reform legislation mean that the conference committee, made up of members of both bodies, will put the bill into its final form I have an idea that the conference committee will spend considerable time coming up with a version that provides a balance of relief and reform, but with the most weight on the reform side House Ways and Means Chairman Wilbur Mills is going to have a good bit to say about the way he compromise legislation shapes up and he is interested primarily in doing away with tax inequities

Soil Tests

Barnyard manure re-enforced with superphosphate continues to be a good method of getting the most value from the manure and increasing the phosphorus content of the soil. Many farms are still low in available phosphorus, according to soil tests, and the use of super phosphate in the gutters of dairy barns will make them more sanitary, and the spreading of phosphate in the steer pens before new bedding is applied, will help balance the manure as a complete fertilizer. Phosphorus is one of the three most important soil elements needed by most plants for maximum production.

Wrapping With Wire Protects Evergreens

During winter water loss through the leaves of evergreens can be reduced somewhat by wrapping the evergreen loosely with large-mesh chicken wire, say extension horticulturists at The Pennsylvania State University This prevents winter winds from passing freely through the evergreens branches and reduces the sweating process peculiar to plant life

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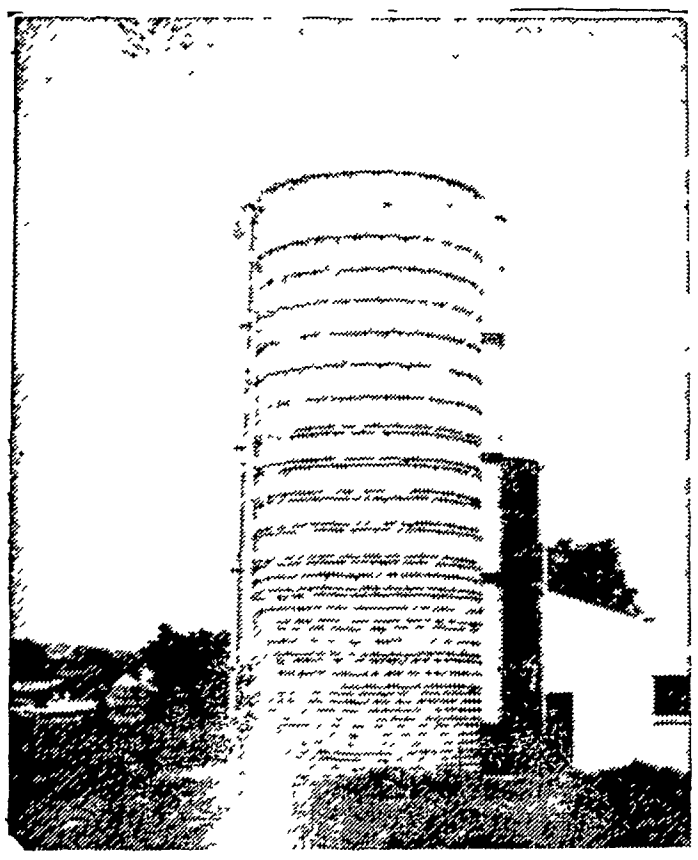

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Borates Seem No Problem For Effluent Irrigation

Despite the increasing use of borates in laundry detergents, it is unlikely that the eastern United States will run into crop damage from boron in sewage effluent used for irrigation, it was announced recently during meetings of the American Society of Agronomy in Detroit, Mich

Where rainfall exceeds evaporation, there should be no problem from irrigating crops with sewage waste water containing present levels of borates, declared James D. Jardine, research assistant in agronomy at The Pennsylvania State University. Five years of experiments at Penn State showed that boron did not accumulate in the soil enough to endanger plants

Jardine said electrostatic charges in iron oxides and clays hold boron to the surface of soils in a "tying up" process His studies indicated that the iron oxide content of soils was important in "tying up" boron.

Rainfall in the humid east is helpful in leaching out some boron from the root zone of plants, he pointed out Boron is normally carried in solution until fixed in soils or taken up by plants It can be a crop hazard if allowed to accumulate due to evaporation where rainfall is limited as in California.

Analysis of soils treated with sewage effluent showed higher concentrations of boron than in soils not treated with effluent. However, the concentrations were not hazardous — even to sensitive crops

As part of these Penn State Experiment Station studies, plants sensitive to boron were exposed to much higher applications of plant poisoning occurred more easily in soils lacking the ability to "tie up" boron

More Males On Farms

It comes as no great surprise to hear that America's farming population is growing older.

Recent statistics disclose that 23 percent of the nation's farm people are 55 years old and older.

And it used to be that a high proportion of the farm population was made up of children under 14 years old During the past ten years the proportion of young children living on farms has dropped from 33 to 23 percent.

One of the reasons for the increase in age of those men and women composing today's farm population has been the continued migration of young adults from farms to towns and cities.

The attractions of town and city life — new adventures, higher pay, 40-hour wook week. varied job opportunities, easier ways of making a living — have induced entire families to abondon farming and take a fling at making a livelihood in ways other than from the soil.

However, in several sections of the country, it isn't true that rural areas are peopled by older folks

In the southern coal field areas in the tobacco and cotton coastal plain section of the Carolinas and in the Mississippi Delta area, the average rural age is under 23 according to the Agricultural Economic Research Service of the USDA

Despite heavy migrations from these rural areas to urban centers, the average age remains young because of higher birth rates.

Speaking of ages, the average age for a Pennsylvania farm operator is 50 9 years while the U S. average is 51 3 On Alaska, where the weather rigors are great, the average age is 36 6

It used to be that almost everyone lived on a farm As late as 1890 the majority of Pennsylvanians lived on farms Today an estimated 309,000 — less than three percent of the population — live on farms

But there's one farm aspect that hasn't changed the farm population is still predominately male.

On-the-farm sex ratio is 108 males to every 100 farm females

Car Owners Reminded Of Inspection Time

Passenger car, truck and motorcycle owners whose vehicles are subject to inspection during the current semi annual inspection period were reminded today that the half-way mark has now been reached in the November-January checkup.

Both passenger and commercial vehicles carrying a Number 2 inspection sticker are due for their semi-annual check in the campaign which will continue through January 31 and will receive a Number 4 sticker signifying inspection requirements have been met

Harry H Blaneid, Commissioner of Traffic Safety, said that aside from noting the numeral on the sticker, it is a simple matter to determine when any vehicle is due for inspection.

"The owner has only to look at the inspection sticker on the windshield," Blaneid explained. "Each sticker bears the beginning and expiration dates for the next inspection campaign"

Pennsylvania vehicles are now about equally divided for inspection purposes through use of the last digit of the manufacturer's serial number to determine which fall into the odd and which into the even periods for inspection as designated by the numeral on the sticker

"The plan was designed to ease the workload at official inspection stations during any three-month inspection campaign, Blaneid said "Vehicle owners can help avoid the last-minute rush at inspection stations by having the checkup made without further delay"

Vehicles bearing a Number 3 sticker are not due for a semi-annual checkup until the inspection campaign getting underway on February 1

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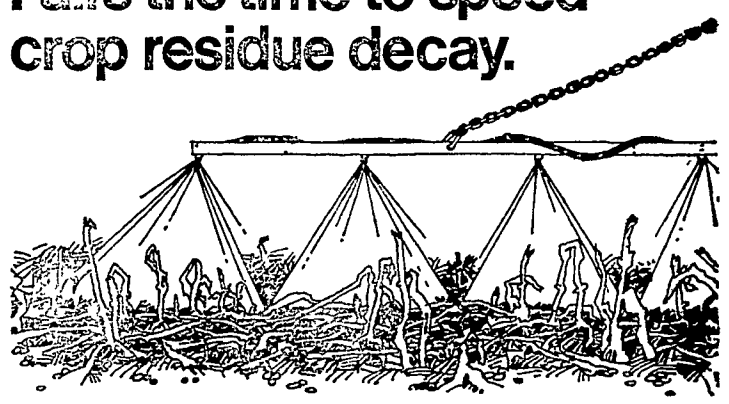

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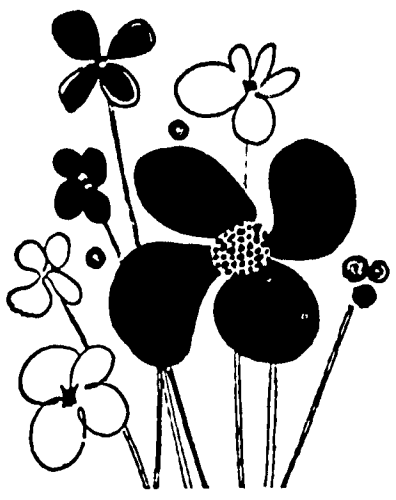

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Making Dolls And Their Clothes Keeps Mrs. Ralph Wanner Busy

By Mrs. Charles McSparran
Lancaster Farming Staff Writer

Christmas is coming soon and Santa's busy filling his pack. There's one thing that's never missing in his pack and that's dolls because no matter how many a little girl has she always wants more Yes, I guess a girl never outgrows her fondness of dolls no matter how old she is. What a windfall Santa would find if he stopped at the home of Mrs. Ralph (Anna) Wanner of Narvon R #2, who lives on Wanner Road in Salisbury Township

Mrs. Wanner has a repertory of 234 dolls at last count and everyone of them named and numbered She has a couple china closets full of small ones and a bedroom full of the larger ones The bed is covered with them as are the chairs and dressers and many are standing alone on the floor Most of them are kept in plastic bags to keep them clean and those dressed in wool clothing are protected with moth balls

She has all sizes, both sexes, different races and nationalities, dolls made of everything imaginable and some not imaginable She has them made of china, kid, bisque, composition, rags, wood, toilet tissue rolls, buttons of different sizes, plastic bottles, marshmallows, hair pins, clothes pins, egg shells, rabbits feet, pine cones, styrofoam etc She has dolls that sit, stand, walk, talk, go to sleep, take a bottle, skate, ride a tractor, walk in a walker etc Some of the dolls are heirlooms handed down in the family, some are relatively new, some have been given to her, some she has made from scratch but most of them are reclaimed dolls which she has repaired and dressed She says "the best part of it is they didn't cost anything

Her nephew buys boxes of old toys and dolls at sales and she gets many of the parts she needs from them She is also very clever at making some of the parts she needs. She may add a touch of paint here and there, make a new wig of real hair, restring them, make a new body, leg, arm or hand She uses different materials to stuff the dolls She tore apart an old innerspring mattress and used the felt from it and also uses old nylon hosiery.

The clothes she makes are as interesting as the dolls She has even cut down old shoes and made them to fit She cut down her own wedding dress to fit one of the dolls She has two of her husbands dolls that he had when he was real young One is dressed in his baby clothes, long dress, diaper and all and it sits in his old high chair The other one is dressed in one of his short dresses and his long wool stockings

Mrs Wanner has an all wood doll her father gave her in 1918 which was the year he died. She has some of her husband's mother's dolls which are china She also has one of his stepmother's dolls which is a bisque doll and it is dressed in its original clothing Some interesting dolls that were given to her are one made of wood on the sands of the desert of Arabia, one from Saigon, Vietnam, one made of ebony from Kenya, Africa and an Indian doll from Wisconsin Anna made two dolls for an exhibit that Salisbury Grange had at the Honey Brook Grange Farm Show several years ago One is a boy riding on a tractor with overalls, high button shoes and a straw hat and the other one was a girl to match

Mrs Wanner has several kinds of scrap books One is a collection of pictures and snap shots, one on helpful hints, one on weddings, deaths and births and another on poetry and interesting things She also collects recipes and cook books She has a pitcher collection which started with her mother-in-law's collection. You might wonder where she keeps all these things Well, it is no problem in their eighteen room house and—Ladies that's a lot of house to keep clean

She does fancy work She has made an afghan and done a lot of crocheting and embroidery work She also made table mats of popsickle sticks, bottle caps and jar rings and crocheted around them

Anna is a flower lover. She has all kinds of houseplants and a lot of hardy flowers outside She tends to the garden and truck patch and helps mow the lawn She has enough strawberries for their own use She keeps sixty to seventy Leghorn hens to supply eggs for themselves and neighbors They usually buy these as pullets or yearlings

The Wanners own their 129 acre farm and pasture 34 head of Holstein heiffers for a neighbor and keep two cows for their own use. Mrs Wanner makes some butter and they sell some cream and butter They buy Holstein calves about two days old and keep six or seven weeks then sell them at Vintage or New Holland They grow 65 acres of corn and 4½ acres of tobacco Mr Wanner drives the tractor and Anna drops the tobacco plants He has farmed at this farm for 23 years and his father farmed it for 46 years His parents, Mr and Mrs. John I Wanner came to live with them five months ago His His father is 96 and blind and his stepmother is 81 and partially blind.

Anna was born in Spring City, Chester County but has lived in this area since she was eight years old She attended Mount Pleasant School and the White Horse High School She joined Honey Brook Grange 42 years ago but brought her membership to Salisbury Grange about 20 years ago and has been a very active member Her husband has been a member of Salisbury Grange over 50 years and was a charter member of Lancaster County Pomona Grange which organized in May of 1920 He is chaplain of Salisbury Grange and on the executive committee of the Pomona Grange He also belongs to Salisbury Gunning Club. They have a camp at Greenwood Furnace, near Belleville, in Huntington County and every year they pick about 100 bushels of corn and store it at Wanners In the winter they take it to feed turkeys, deer and bears in the mountains. Wanners used to go to the camp three or four days in the summer but can't get anyone to stay at home now. Ralph and Anna both belong to the Republican Club of Lancaster County and are lifetime members of the Pequea Presbyterian Church.

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MRS. RALPH WANNER holds her Indian doll, her ebony one from Africa and her Arabian doll. Part of her small doll collection is in the china closet.

L. F. Photo

BIG DOLLS that sit or stand. L. F. Photo

HOLDING HER SANTA doll, Mrs. Wanner shows a bed full of her large dolls.

L. F. Photo

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Mrs. Wanner is one of the best cooks to be found. She bakes bread for themselves and makes candy to sell. She also does a lot of preserving, canning and freezing and makes chow chow.

Do you hake candy for Christmas? You might like to try three of Mrs. Wanner's favorites.

CHRISTMAS CANDY

- ¼ lb. butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 8 oz. pack of dates chopped
- 1 cup nuts chopped
- 3 cups rice krispies
- flaked coconut

Bring the first four ingredients to a boil, cook 3 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from fire and add nuts and krispies Drop by teaspoonful on coconut and shape into balls.

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KARO CARAMELS

- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 1¾ cups white Karo syrup
- 2 cups cream
- 1 cup butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup chopped nuts

Cook sugar, Karo, half the cream, and butter together. When it boils stir in the rest of the cream, but do not allow the boiling to cease. Test for a firm ball in cold water. Add vanilla and nut meats, turn into buttered tin. When nearly cold cut into cubes and wrap in wax paper. The boiling sometimes requires nearly an hour. But when made these caramels cannot be excelled

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PREACHERS FUDGE

- 4 cups granulated sugar
- 1 cup white Karo
- 1 cup hot water

Mix together and boil to a good soft ball stage. Let it cool some then pour over the beaten whites of 2 eggs and beat and beat till it forms a soft ball when dropped on wax paper. Coat with chocolate.

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Here's a real good recipe that Mrs Wanner takes to picnics and everyone likes to sample her delicious desserts.

OATMEAL PIE

- 3 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup white Karo
- 1 cup quick oatmeal
- 1 tablespoon flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon melted butter

Mix all the ingredients together and add one tablespoon of vanilla (Add the cup of oatmeal to the mixture last.) Put the mixture into an unbaked pie crust and bake at 325 degrees for about 45 minutes.

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SHOOFLY CUPCAKES

- 2½ cups flour
- 1½ cups light brown sugar
- ½ cup butter
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

Mix well. Reserve one cup crumbs. To remaining crumbs add:

- 1 cup dark brown sugar
- 1½ cups boiling water
- 1 teaspoon baking soda

Fill each cup ⅔ full. Top each cupcake with a heaping teaspoon of crumbs Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Makes 18 cupcakes

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My Neighbors

"Physician-heel thyself!"

Ladies, Have You Heard? . . .

By Doris Thomas, Extension Home Economist

Tips For Enjoying Holiday Turkey

Never freeze an uncooked stuffed turkey or a roasted stuffed turkey

THOMAS

The only positive way to test doneness is with a properly placed meat thermometer Much variation in cooking time and tenderness is due to inaccurate oven thermometers or frequent opening of the oven door.

Pieces of small turkey can be fried and the whole turkey can be cut to yield drumsticks, thighs, wings back pieces, and breast pieces

Whole turkeys can be cooked on a rotisserie, provided the weight doesn't exceed the manufacturer's specifications for operating the rotisserie Stuffing the bird is not encouraged for rotisserie cooking.

You can make gravy using canned turkey or chicken soup, or chicken bouillon.

Carving and serving will be easier if you use a simple garnish for the bird.

Serve turkey on a hot platter and give your family and guests hot plates to increase their satisfaction with the holiday bird.

Characteristics Of Christmas Evergreen Trees

Balsam firs have good color, a pleasing odor, good needle retention, and are easy to handle and transport They are very irregular in shape and inflammable when dry

Douglas firs have a good color and appearance and good needle retention They are easy to handle and transport but won't support heavy ornaments

Red pines have excellent needle retention They have long, soft needles and a pleasing appearance The color is fair and sparse branching is a problem

Scotch pines have excellent needle retention They have a good to poor color depending on the strain. They are pleasingly branched and have short, sharp needles But they're inclined to have brittle needles if the weather is cold.

Austrian pines have excellent needle retention and excellent color. The branches are long, and needles are stiff and sharp. The limbs are brittle and the branching is not always satisfactory.

White pines, too, have good needle retention and excellent color. Their foilage is soft and has a pleasing appearance, but sometimes foilage is not very heavy.

Norway spruces have good color and a pleasing appearance with short sharp needles But they have poor needle retention.

Colorado blue spruces have exceptional color and a pleasing appearance. They have short, sharp needles and poor needle retention although it is better than that of the Norway spruce.

Handle Satin Carefully

If you're making a dress of satin, handle the fabric as though it had a nap Although satin has no obvious pile or nap, light reflection on its surface gives it a sheen. This sheen is due to the weave which provides long lustrous threads on the surface Because the sheen reflects light differently when in different positions, place and cut all pattern pieces in the same direction just as you would corduroy or velveteen.

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Meeting Minutes

Pa. Egg Marketing Association

President Ben Burkholder waived the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports in the interest of saving time

Ray Sauder was called upon to discuss a subject assigned to him prior to the meeting Ray said that, "to satisfy the needs of the egg business marketing agencies must give buyers what they want when they want it regardless of what the situation might be Sometimes doing this poses a hardship on the marketer but buyers ignore this "Marketers must develop planned production if he intends to remain in business There must not be overages that cause disruption in orderly marketing. "Eggs must be priced to meet competition "Producers must be educated as to what is needed. "Costs have reached a level where they cannot be reduced further or be absorbed".

Earl Hess discussed the question whether the marketing problem is one of buying or selling eggs. "In the future marketers will not be just dealers, they will become . . . sophisticated merchandisers. "Dealers must get to the merchandisers and point the way toward better merchandising by doing things properly "Larger production units, whether they be producers serving dealers or integrators, are in the future picture.

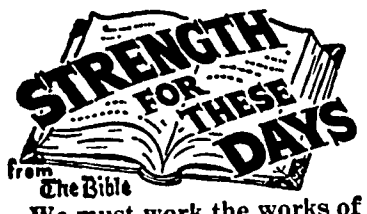
Tom Smith stated that, 'there is quite a difference between our costs and those of the south. "Their costs of chicks, pullets, housing, feed, etc, are as much as six cents less than ours "There is a freight differential, but with most costs higher here we are at a disadvantage "We can meet competition if we become better organized, exercise closer cooperation, make all of our dealings honest, including those with producers. "Something should be done to have our Pennsylvania eggs especially recognized, and only AA and A quality should be sold to the consumer".

President Burkholder appointed Irwin Musser, Richard Buss, and David Lehman to the Nomination Committee to report at the January 9th meeting.

He also appointed Sam Berenson and K. M Souders as the Auditing Committee.

General discussion indicated that both buying and selling pressures exist . . . but the selling pressure is the greater of the two.

The South may have six cent savings but, they receive five cents less, therefore, there is not enough difference that makes it impossible for us to compete We very definitely have an advantage when it comes to store door delivery, and much of our business is of this type.



We must work the works of him who sent me.—(John 9:4).

Often our way seems to be blocked only because we have not opened up the channels to our good by acting faithfully on the ideas that God gives us. We need to meditate carefully and thoughtfully on the realization that God works through us, through His ideas in our mind. Act on the ideas that God gives us, and good results will materialize.

Holiday Season

Decorations are a part of the holiday season and I enjoy them as much as anyone else; however, we must face the fact that many of these extras present an additional fire hazard in the home. We urge everyone to be very careful with Christmas trees being near the fireplace or other open flame. One good way to prevent having the tree as a fire hazard is to buy a freshly cut tree and then keep it in water or moist sand or soil while it is in the house. A dried out Christmas tree is a very serious fire hazard. Candles should not be placed near trees or near curtains or drapes. Keep fire prevention in mind when decorating this holiday season.

Training A Dog

4-H'ers in the dog project find these basic hints useful in training their "best friend." Use a stern and commanding, but not loud, voice. Use one-word commands where possible. Work with your dog about 10 minutes at a time because he becomes bored and tired. Use plenty of praise and petting when the dog performs correctly. Contact your county agent's office for information about the 4-H Dog Project.

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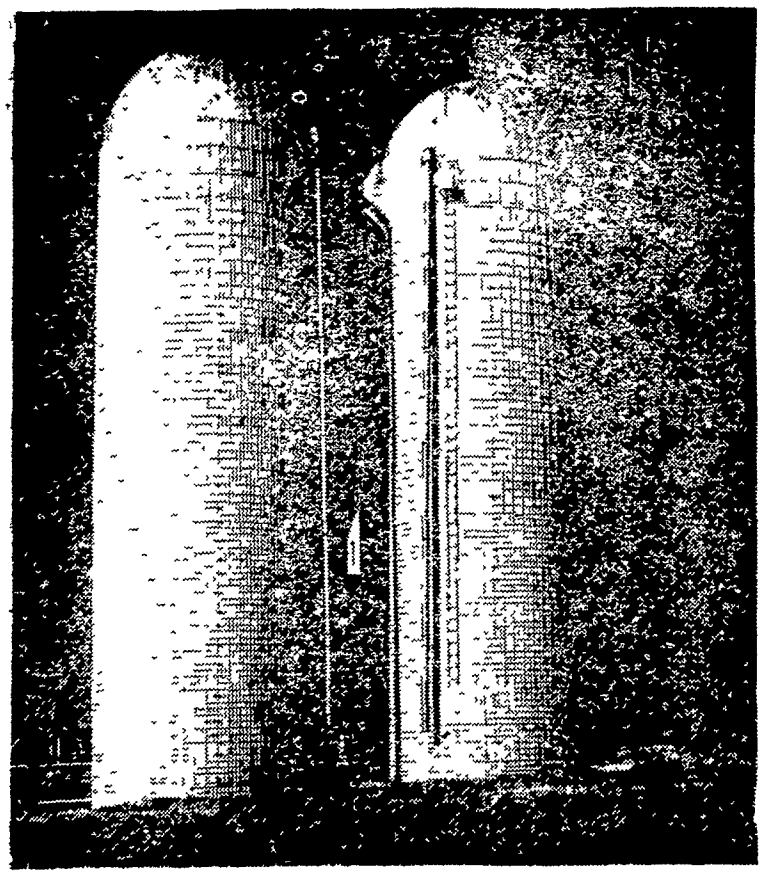

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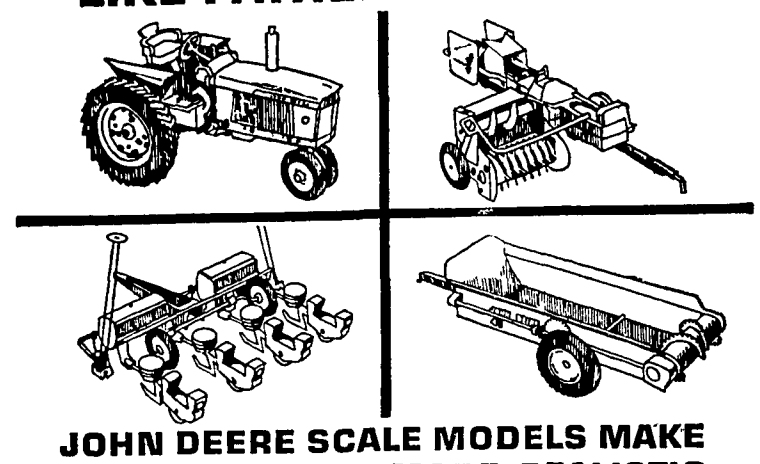

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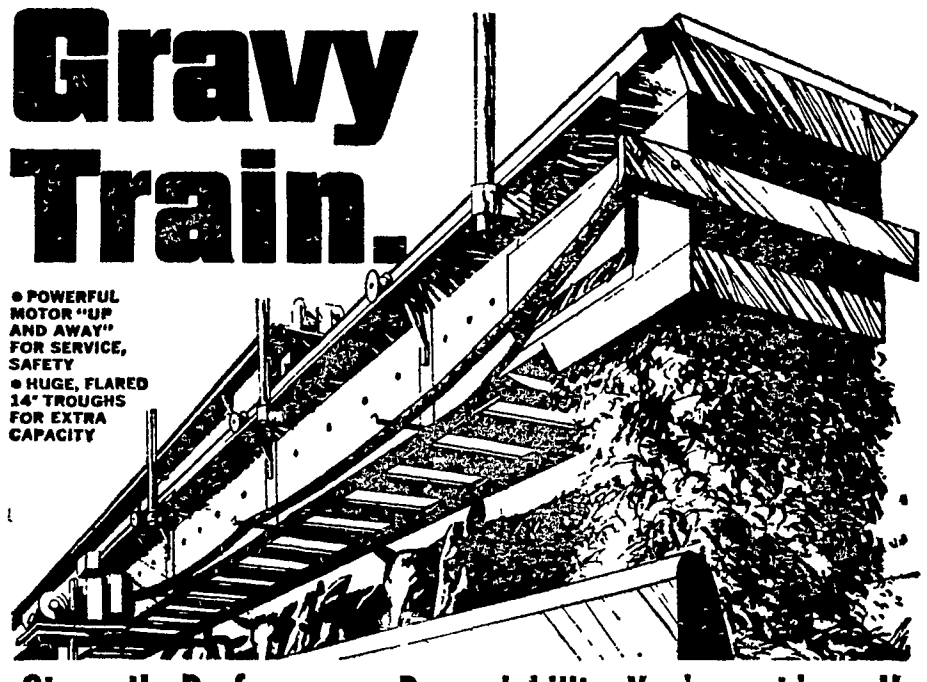

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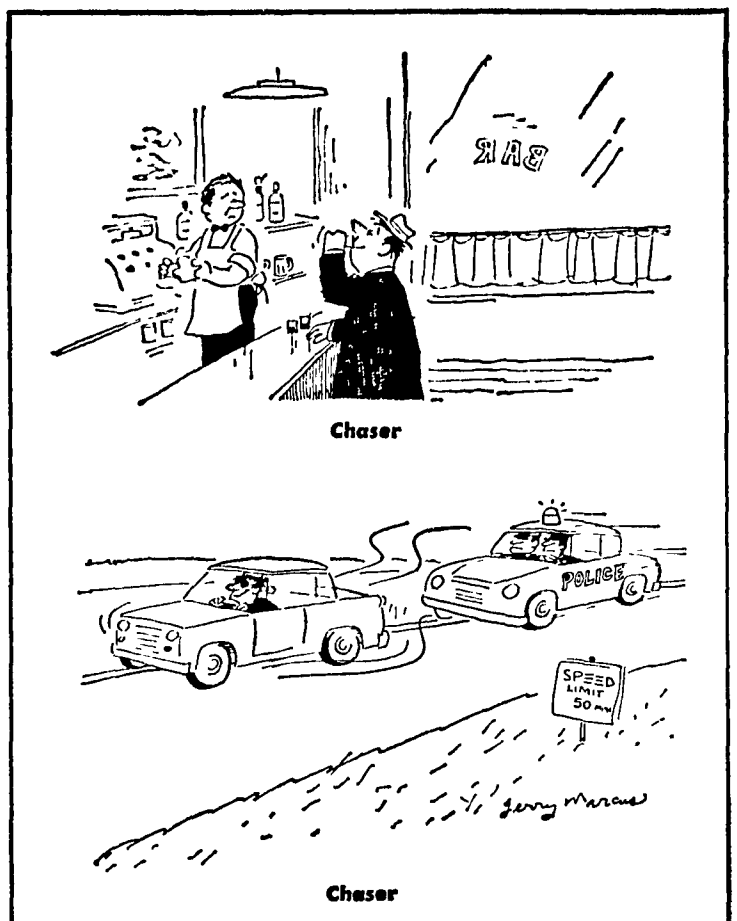

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Parasites To Control Cereal Leaf Beetle

A seemingly simple washing process is helping the U.S. Department of Agriculture improve the chances of controlling the cereal leaf beetle by the use of biological control agents instead of pesticides.

Thomas L Burger, of USDA's agricultural Research Service told a Entomological Society of America meeting recently in Chicago about his method for removing insect eggs from plant leaves The eggs are used as host material for the production of natural enemies of insect pests, such as the tiny wasp that lays its eggs inside the eggs of the cereal leaf beetle

The solvent wash process developed by Mr Burger permits a 10-fold increase in production of cereal leaf beetle parasites at the ARS parasite rearing laboratory at Niles, Mich The aim of this laboratory is to find and raise natural parasites of the cereal leaf beetle and other plant pests for release in infested areas

ARS pest control workers hope that continued release and spread of the wasp, in addition to the release of other parasites and predators and other control measures, will eventually minimize the damage being caused by the cereal leaf beetle.

Th cereal leaf beetle in both adult and larval stages is destructive to oats, wheat, and barley. A joint Federal-State control program was started in 1963 to suppress the pest. This program has reduced the damage to small grains, but it has not stopped the spread of the pest, which was found for the first time in the United States in Michigan in 1962 The beetle is now known to be present in Kentucky, Maryland, New York, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan.

Mr. Burger believes that this egg recovery technique can be adapted by other laboratories to resolve the problem of handling other glutinous insect eggs to be used for host or parasite rearing.

For the process, oat leaves containing eggs are cut in sections of about 3 inches from growing trays in the laboratory. The leaves are placed in a desticking bucket, which is partially submerged in a tub containing a denatured alcohol held at 770 degrees F. and agitated for 80 seconds with an air jet This procedure is repeated in a water bath at 90 degrees Eggs that have been loosened from the leaves are flushed through a series of screens and collected. The eggs are then treated with a fungicide and coated with glycerine to prevent desiccation, and deposited on filter paper for drying

There is no aparent difference in acceptability of eggs by the parasites whether eggs are recovered by hand picking or washing

This new process is part of USDA's continuing search for additional safe and effective methods for controlling pests.

Income Tax

Income tax return time is approaching for the farmer and I'd like to announce that the 1969 Income Tax Guide for Farmers is on hand, this booklet is revised each year to explain the many changes It seems that the tax returns becomes a more vital part of farm accounting each year and many transactions are related to income tax returns. All farmers who are making their own returns, or others making the report for farmers, are urged to obtain their copy Two Income Tax training sessions are scheduled for this part of the state late in January.

Which Tractor Fits Your Operation Best

Farmers trying to decide whether their next tractor should be powered by a diesel or gasoline engine should weigh the pros and cons of each against the work that has to be done, says Tom Williams, extension agricultural engineer at the University of Delaware.

On the basis of performance, gasoline and diesel tractors of the same make and model will perform equally well If both tractors are in good condition, the horsepower and lugging ability of the two are about the same.

Many farmers prefer a diesel tractor because it uses less fuel than its gasoline counterpart, and diesel fuel usually costs less 'Because the diesel tractor requires a greater initial investment, however, the lower fuel costs should be balanced against higher fixed costs and slightly higher repair bills, Williams points out.

Diesel engines normally require fewer overhauls than gasoline engines, but you often need specialized equipment and more skill to overhaul a diesel

Know your horsepower requirements before deciding the fuel-type. Then, compare tractors within the power range, Williams suggests.

Compare the purchase prices of the tractors — including additional costs for new storage facilities, if necessary Look at the difference in price per gallon between the two fuels Consider tax refunds and rebates, too.

The number of hours the tractor will be used during the year is also important, says Williams Most farmer will overestimate the number of hours they use the tractor.

Studies conducted by Purdue University researchers reveal that farmers can't afford small diesel tractors in the 40 PTO horsepower range unless they use them at least 600 hours a year and pay no more than $500 over the cost of a comparable gasoline tractor, says Williams

Diesel tractors in the 65 PTO horsepower range have an economic advantage over gasoline models when used 500 to 600 hours a year This is true as long as the initial investment isn't more than $400 over the price of a similar gasoline tractor. If the tractor is used 800 hours a year, you can justify paying an extra $600 for the diesel.

If you need a tractor in the 90 PTO horsepower class, a diesel has a definite economic advantage over the gasoline model, notes Williams.

Use a big diesel at least 600 hours a year and you can afford to pay $800 more for it, $1,000 more if your diesel fuel costs two cents a gallon less than galosine. When the tractor is used 800 to 1,000 hours, diesel is the better buy regardless of the fuel cost.

My Neighbors

"Please hang up and dial again—"

Barely one-eighth of Iceland remains ice-covered year-round, says the National Geographic.

Protect Lawn

If we have much snow this winter, we can expect snow mold in lawns or fine turf where the disease has been a problem, cautions Allen H. Bauer, extension plant pathologist at The Pennsylvania State University. Damage from snow mold is reduced or prevented by not piling snow on the lawn and by treating problem areas with chemicals. Where snow mold has been troublesome and much snow falls, see your county agent for further information on snow mold control.

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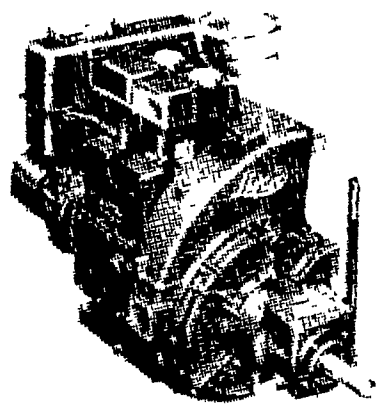

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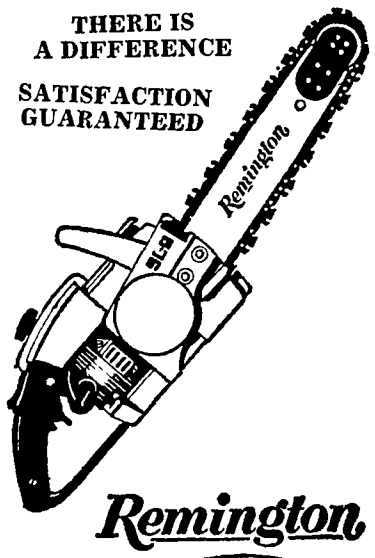

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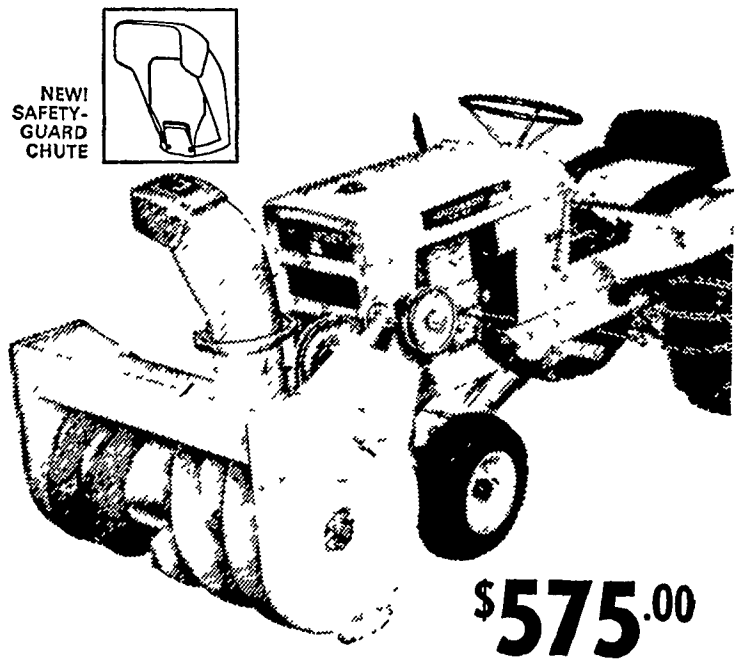

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Scott Supports Potato Diversion

Senator Hugh Scott (R.-Pa.) this week urged the Department of Agriculture to establish a potato diversion program at "the highest possible base price to growers." The Senate Republican Leader joined with Senator Frank Church (D.-Idaho) in a letter to Agriculture Secretary Clifford M. Hardin asking the Secretary to "immediately institute a potato diversion program" in an effort to halt "a serious price decline" in the potato market. Such a program would divert potatoes from normal channels of trade to other uses such as starch and feed.

The letter follows.

The Honorable
Clifford M. Hardin
Secretary of Agriculture
United States
Department of Agriculture
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In recent weeks, indications of serious price decline have appeared in the potato market.

Potato growers in our states have strongly urged that the Department of Agriculture immediately institute a potato diversion program in hopes that the decline can be halted and prices stabilized.

Broad powers have been placed in the hands of the Department of Agricultpre to meet market problems caused by surpluses of this nature. It is our belief that a legitimate cause fo concern and action exists. To partially alleviate the hardships which many growers are suffering under current conditions, and in the hope of stablizing potato prices, we request that a diversion program be granted providing for the highest possible base price to growers."

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Herbert Hoover raised more money for the relief of war-destitude persons than anyone else in history. More than $8.1 billion in government and private funds were allocated to World War I relief under his direction

Delaware Act Allows New Basis For Farmland Tax

Farmland owners in many urbanizing states run the risk of extremely high assessments for land taxes if they are based solely on land market value. A nearby major highway, housing development or industry may make the market value of farmland shoot up, but its capacity for farm production does not change.

The 1968 Delaware Farmland Assessment Act which applies to their state, allows farmland owners to choose whether they want to have their land assessed on the basis it has been in the past or according to the land's value for agricultural production. The law was explained in a recent series of county meetings sponsored by the State Farmland Evaluation Advisory Committee in cooperation with the Agricultural Extension Service.

The Act set up a three-member State Farmland Evaluation Advisory Committee which primarily is responsible for determining the "fair" value of Delaware land based on its agricultural productive capabilities.

Assessment of farmland on the basis of its productive value presents a number of problems, according to the Committee. Exact measures of the innate productivity of various soil types are not available, however, reasonable estimates can be made. Soil types, land use and net farm income were used in the determination of the "fair" values.

The procedure was simplified by grouping the 150 soil types found in Delaware into five group. These groups range from Group A, soils with very high productivity suitable for permanent cultivation, down to Group E, soils with very severe limitations for cultivated crops, thus generally not tillable.

Land on Delaware farms is used for a variety of purposes which directly affect the income received. The uses considered as a part of the basis for determining value were cropland harvested, cropland pastured, permanent pasture and woodland.

To be eligible for the new assessment, (1) land must be actively used for agricultural purposes, (2) at least five acres must be included in the farm besides the area used for farmhouse and yard, and (3) gross sales, including government farm program payments, must amount to $500 or more per year.

Landowners must apply annually before February 1 for the new type of assessment, according to the law. Obviously, a landowner will not want to apply for this re-assessment unless it will lower his land taxes. To decide whether or not to apply, landowners should figure out approximately what his new taxes would be.

In order to find out, a landowner will need a soil survey map of his land. This can be obtained through the office of the Soil Conservation Service or through the county agents. From the soil survey map and information in the University of Delaware's Agricultural Experimental Station Circular 13, the farmland can be classified into the five soil groups. In addition, the owner classifies the land according to its use.

Pennsylvania Egg Production Down Slightly

Pennsylvania layers produced an estimated 255 million eggs in November, one percent below a year earlier, and 4 percent below October 1969. Average number of layers in flocks during Nov. at 14,560,000, as 1 percent below a year earlier, but 1 percent above October 1969.

The average price received by farmers for all eggs was up from mid-October by 10 cents, and is also 10 cents above a year ago. With average price for laying mash the same as a month earlier, the egg-feed ratio is more attractive.

The October egg-type hatch, at 2,121,000, was up 19 percent from a year earlier, and 76 percent above October 1967. Total egg-type hatch for the U.S. in October was 40 million, down 1 percent from a year earlier.

Stocks of eggs in cold storage November 1 amounted to 1,332,000 cases, down 7 percent from a month earlier, and 43 percent below a year earlier.

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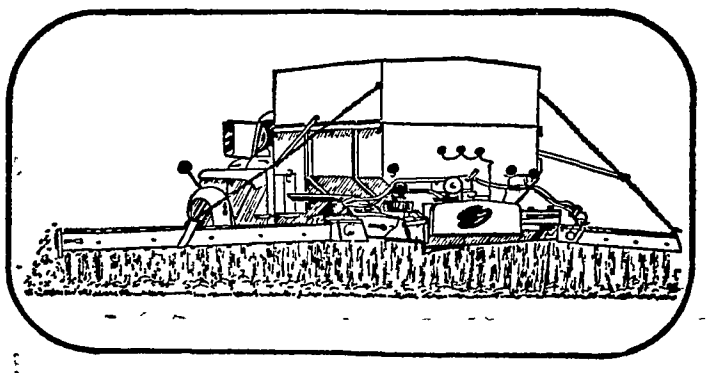

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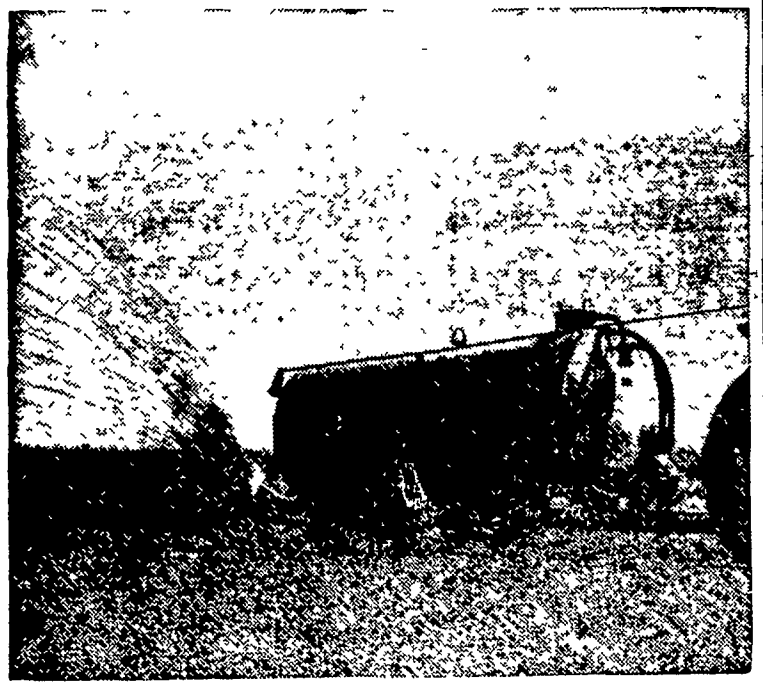

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